the Pilot Projects and its validation. The final number of water bodies to be restored will be estimated when the comprehensive scheme is prepared after the completion of the pilot project.

Proposal for "Palaces-on-sea"

*319. SHKI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to plan "Palaces on-sea";

(b) if so, details of the action plan;

(c) the areas where these ships will cruise along our coastline; and

(d) how far this would help to improve the economy of the coastal population?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Recovery of dues

*320. SHRI R.K. ANAND: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that thousands of crores of rupees are outstanding for long but due to grant of stay by the courts, settlement commission, IATA and income-tax authorities etc., the recovery of the same has been held up;

(b) if so, the steps taken to get the stay orders vacated and to recover the amount; and

(c) whether the financial condition of Government indicts laxity in the recovery of these dues?

THE MINISTER OF FINANCE (SHRS P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Recovery of tax arrears is a continuous process. Apart from statutory actions like charging of interest, levy of penalty and attachment and sale of property, administrative actions are also taken to recover the amount and to get the stay orders vacated.